





IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Attorney Docket No. 8998

Application of:

Joanne Walter

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Serial No.: 09/478,777

Examiner: I. Borissov

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR OPERATING A SELF-SERVICE CHECKOUT TERMINAL HAVING A VOICE GENERATING DEVICE

ASSOCIATED THEREWITH

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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12-12-2003 Karen A. Church

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 26, 2003, please enter the following Amendment and Remarks:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 9, 18, 27, and 28.